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Mr. Norbert B. Moffatt, General Chairman
San Fernando Valley "Golden Jubilee" Civic Night
6378 Van Nuys Blvd.
Van Nuys, California

Dear Mr. Moffatt,

On arriving in Rio de Janeiro on our return cruise from Buenos Aires, I received from my secretary a very glowing account of the Civic Night Dinner sponsored by the Van Nuys Council Knights of Columbus and ably carried out by your Committee representing the Valley's most outstanding civic organizations.

I feel deeply grateful for having been honored, along with my good friend Walter Mendenhall, on the occasion of this First Annual Civic Night. And I ask you to convey to your entire Committee and to Council No. 3148 of the Knights of Columbus my humble and heartfelt appreciation.

The beautiful program is before me. It gives evidence of a tremendous amount of careful thought and pains taking work in its preparation, as well as a splendid spirit of cooperation among the participating groups.

I shall cherish this program, as I shall the plaque which I anticipate seeing when I reach home.

It will always be a matter of deep regret that I could not be present to enjoy such a well planned and delightful occasion, but that fact in no way lessens the appreciation in which Mrs. Whitsett joins me.

Very sincerely,

W. P. Whitsett